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| 1)🖂  | Responsive to communication(s) filed on 14  | January 2002 .   |   |                     |  |  |  |
| 2a) <u></u> □                                      | This action is <b>FINAL</b> . 2b) 1   | his action is non-f  | nal.  |                     |  |  |  |
| 3)☐<br>Disposit                                    | Since this application is in condition for allow closed in accordance with the practice under ton of Claims   |  |   | to the merits is    |  |  |  |
| 4)   | Claim(s) is/are pending in the applica  | tion.  |   | •                   |  |  |  |
|  | 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.  |  |   |                     |  |  |  |
| 5)   | Claim(s) is/are allowed.  |  |   |                     |  |  |  |
| 6)□  | Claim(s) is/are rejected.   |  |   |                     |  |  |  |
| 7)   | Claim(s) is/are objected to.  |  |   |                     |  |  |  |
| 8)⊠  | Claim(s) 1-6 are subject to restriction and/or  | election requireme   | nt.   |                     |  |  |  |
| Applicati  | on Papers   |  |   |                     |  |  |  |
| 9) 🗌 🤈   | The specification is objected to by the Examin  | ier.   |   |                     |  |  |  |
| 10) 🔲  | The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ acc   | epted or b) dbject   | ed to by the Examiner.  |                     |  |  |  |
| •  | Applicant may not request that any objection to t   | he drawing(s) be he  | d in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85  | ō(a).               |  |  |  |
| 11) 🗌  | The proposed drawing correction filed on  | is: a)∏ approv   | ed b) disapproved by the Exa  | aminer.             |  |  |  |
|  | If approved, corrected drawings are required in r   | eply to this Office ac   | tion.   |                     |  |  |  |
| 12) 🗌  | The oath or declaration is objected to by the E   | xaminer.   |   |                     |  |  |  |
| Priority (   | ınder 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120  |  |   |                     |  |  |  |
| 13)  | Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign   | gn priority under 3  | 5 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).   |                     |  |  |  |
| a)   | ☐ All b)☐ Some * c)☐ None of:   |  |   |                     |  |  |  |
|  | 1. Certified copies of the priority documer   | nts have been rece   | ived.   |                     |  |  |  |
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| * S  | 3. Copies of the certified copies of the pri<br>application from the International B<br>see the attached detailed Office action for a lis   | ureau (PCT Rule  | 17.2(a)).   | onal Stage          |  |  |  |
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| Attachment   | t(s)  |  | •   |                     |  |  |  |
| 2) Notic   | e of References Cited (PTO-892)<br>e of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)<br>nation Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s)   | 4) [<br>5) [<br>6) [   | Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper<br>Notice of Informal Patent Application<br>Other:  |                     |  |  |  |
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## **Election/Restrictions**

- **1.** This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:
- A) Claims 1-2 and 4-5: drawn to a method of making a core with plies and ribs; and
- **B)** Claims 3 and 6: drawn to a method of making a core with plies and filler sheets.
- 2. Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, there are no generic. Applicant is advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with this requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.
- 3. Upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims are added after the election, Applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a).
- 4. Should Applicant traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct, Applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.
- **5.** Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

## Conclusion

**6.** Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications should be directed to Examiner Linda L. Gray at (703) 308-1093, Monday-Friday from 6:30 am to 3:30 pm. The necessary fax numbers are (703) 872-9310 and (703) 872-9311.

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